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Spring Catalog and Cultural Guide

"TRUE-TO-NAME"

# DAHLIAS

AND VARIOUS GARDEN PLANTS



"LITTLE DREAM"



# White's Dahlia Garden

6720 North Albina Avenue

Portland,

Oregon

### Greetings, Dahlia & Floral Friends:-

WITH real pleasure I send you this pocket size Spring Catalog and Cultural Guide of Dahlias, etc., for 1938. I feel sure you will find it interesting and instructive.

Have made descriptions as complete as the space will allow and feel confident that they are truthful and without any exaggeration.

In some of the years past, I have often had a larger quanity of Dahlia roots to offer, but never have I had them of better quality than this year.

I thank you for all past favors, and assure you that each order will receive prompt attention.

Yours for better dahlias and health,

EHTWhits

28 Years of Careful Dahlia Growing
Phone GArfield 7032 in Portland, Oregon.

For health and safety, working in your garden is unexcelled. And, it should also be a real pleasure. Grow something new and different each season, and when some gorgeous new flower begins to open for the first time, your interest will increase. Friends and neighbors will exclaim over its beauty of form and color—and you will glow with pleasure.

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Write your name and address plainly.



Carine Dawn
Picture Crimson Glow Good Luck
Treasure Nora Bell Tipsy
'Crimson Glow' is about the size of a Florist's carnation.

# Special Offers of Dahlias

Just the thing for those who wish some really GOOD Dahlias, at a most reasonable price, and yet are not looking for any certain named varieties.

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## Order by Number 50c each Postpaid

- 1—Four Different Pom Pon dahlias.
- 2—Three true, narrow petaled Cactus.
- 3—Three Giants of Decorative type.
- 4—Three Large Semi-Cactus sorts.
- 5—1 true Cactus, 1 Semi-cactus and 1 Giant Decorative.
- 6—Three Dandy Little Miniatures.

Any 2 of these Special 50c Offers (two different numbers) for only 90c

# Successful Dahlia Growing

The Dahlia of to-day is one of the easiest of all flowers to grow and will produce more flowers, size considered, than any other plant grown, if these simple cultural directions are followed. Prepare the soil in your beds thoroughly by spading the ground 12 to 18 inches deep in the Fall, if possible, and again in the Spring, pulverizing and packing it down with the spading tool as much as you can. Soil left too loose or lumpy will soon dry out. I find the English or trench method of spading the best way if a real good job is desired. If your soil is quite sandy or gravely, some well rotted manure, leaves or peat moss thoroughly mixed in, will help greatly to hold the moisture.

Very heavy or clay soil is greatly benefited by adding some coarse sand, coal ashes or land plaster. One of the best times to cultivate, dahlias, etc., is before you plant them by preparing your soil deeply and thoroly.

If your soil is really poor, work in a little bone meal or other good fertilizer not too high in nitrogen, and very well rotted cow manure.

Select an open, sunny situation, although they do quite well in partial shade if given a little more space or keep well thinned out. Getting full benefit of all the morning sun only is ideal. If possible, give your dahlias a 'home' of their own. Large sorts should be about 3ft. apart in a bed 3 feet wide, or better yet, plant two rows in a bed 5 to 6 feet wide.

From early May to early June is the planting time we recommend for Portland and similar climates. This will give you flowers from the middle of August to heavy frost. They are really an Autumn flower and should not start to bloom till the heat of summer is just about over. However, those living near the ocean, or where the summers are cooler, can plant in April.

When planting, never stand the tuber on end; lay it flat in a hole 6 inches deep. Put some sand or fine soil under and around it and then fill in with 2 to 3 inches of top soil. The balance can be filled in level after it grows up. If the soil is quite moist it's better not to water in when planted. The size of the tuber makes no difference as long as it has one good strong eye or sprout.

Allow only one sprout to grow from each tuber. When they have made their second or third set of leaves, pinch the top out. This causes it to grow a stout branch at the base of each of the four or six leaves left. This means lower plants, more and better flowers.

One can easiely overwater, when plants are young, but you cannot over cultivate at this stage of their growth. However, whenever you do water, soak the beds throughly. It is far better to give a dahlia seven buckets of water in one day, than 1 a day for 7 days. Always cultivate surface as soon after as dry enough. Dahlias like plenty of water when in broom but can't stand 'wet feet'. How is your drainage?

To have the greatest of success is to keep them growing, but as strong and sturdy as possible. You will get few, if any, blooms (and inferior) from hardened or stunted growth.

When buds appear, stop all deep cultivation and give the beds a mulch of manure, leaves, grass clippings, etc. If sufficient mulching is not available, make a shallow basin around each plant, and fill well with mulching. After two or three weeks, a little additional fertilizer may be put on every ten days, or so. Feeding in liquid form is best in most cases, but use caution—don't give too much at one time.

If you want larger Dahlias of greater substance and longer, stronger stems — disbud. When the size of peas, pinch off all buds in a cluster except the largest, unless it is deformed.

To make your dahlias healthier looking and also to hold insects in check, give your bushes a shower bath every evening, during the dry hot weather. They will greatly appreciate it.

A few days after the tops have been blackened by a heavy frost, late in the Fall, cut them off and dig carefully so as not to break the necks of tubers. Remove most of the soil, but not necessarily all of it. When possible, dig on a sunny day, allowing clumps to dry off before storing, cutting off the remaining hollow stalk as close to tubers as you can. If troubled with wet stem rot, turn clumps upside down or, split stalk and clump in halves. An old-fashioned or potato celler is ideal for dahlias. If in a heated basement, put them in the coolest corner, on the floor or in a large box. If there are signs of shriveling, cover more or less with slightly moist earth, sand etc.

# Miniature Dahlias

The 'all purpose' type of the dahlia family

The past few years many people have been delighted with the advent of the smaller types. True we have had the pompons for some time and probably nothing will detract from their present popularity. But this type was not universal in its appeal because of its stiffness and lack of change in its form.

It seems that in the new "Miniatures" are imbued all the characteristics which have hitherto been lacking. In the first place they include all the variations of form found in the larger types, from the full centered decorative to the artistically curled and twisted peony. Secondly, their miniature size and airy gracefulness makes them ideal for artistic arrangement. Thirdly, besides keeping as long as pompons when cut at proper age, they bloom so freely that one can cut mercilessly only to see a new wealth of color in a day or so. Last, but not least, the neater, more compact, lower-growing bushes, with such a liberal amount of color, is entirely suited for garden decoration where space is so limited that the giant blossoms and rank growth of the larger types would be out of the question.

#### KEEPING CUT DAHLIA BLOOMS

Cut the flowers as late as possible in the evening or very early in the morning, while the dew is still on them. Cut with long stems and dip the ends of the stems (2 to 3 inches) in almost boiling water for 20 seconds to one minute, depending on length and texture of the stem. Then immediately submerge them two-thirds of their length in cold water and put them in a cool place, away from all draft for a couple of hours, or till wanted for your vases. The more of the stem you can have in the water in your vases, the longer the blooms will keep fresh. When cutting large dahlia blooms try and select those that are in their prime, or developed to their fullest extent. Just a day too soon will often make quite a difference in some of the quicker maturing varieties.

The long, hollow stems, or stalks, are an advantage if they are under the cool water. Change the water often.

If a bouquet of dahlias is wrapped in moist newspaper, so as to hold moisture and exclude all the air possible, they will keep in perfect condition for hours.



Bobbie Lillian Page
Token Our Annie Garden Love
Juweeltje Rhoda Blue Coat

# Miniature & Semi-Cactus Dahlias

ALL HAVE DOUBLE (full-centered) FLOWERS

AGALIA— Soft orange, overlaid salmon. Of splendid habit; strong stems, 3 ft. .50

BABY ROYAL—(SC) Popular cut flower variety, keeping well in water. A dainty little bloom of salmon pink, shaded apricot and gold on low bush Loaded with blooms from early till late. Stiff, wiry stems. .50

BALDRE— A brilliant shade of rich salmonrose. Very double, perfectly formed flowers on extra stout stems. A sturdy grower and constant bloomer. Gold Medal winner 3ft. .35

BOBBIE—A very neatly formed, small flower produced very freely on long upright, wiry stems. Color is orange buff with a darker base to each, slightly cupped petal, 3ft. .50

CARINE—Deep tangerine orange; a self-color. Of semi-cactus type and perfect form. Rigid stems of great length; attractive. 3 ft. .50

- CORONA—An American creation that can be recommended to all who want a little flower of purest white and formal shape. 4 ft. .30 CORONA (Originator's spelling) is spelled CORONNE by some. It is one of, if not the first American miniature dahlia. Of truest type and resembles a Gardenia.
- DICK FELTON—Rich amber, shaded orange with yellow at base. The bushy plants are almost covered with blooms, on good stems. Very effective garden plant, 3 ft.
  .50
- Elizabeth Pape—(Cac) Plants are loaded with little flowers at all times. Of perfect, spiky form; delicate salmon pink, and cream. .50
- ELVIC Low growing, bushy plants, having small, neatly formed flowers of distinct coloring—scarlet, edged and tipped white. Variable in its markings and therefore more interesting. Mass of bloom—always, 2½ft. .60
- ENDEAVOR—(SC) An English variety of the 'Baby Royal' type. Color a vermilion-orange shading darker at edges and tips. Dandy stems and a bushy grower, 3½ft. .75
- FAIRY—Beautiful soft pink with lilac suffusion. Formal type; long, stiff stems,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ft. .50
- FREDA— Rich, shining maroon—the darkest color in this type. Very double, flowers of perfect form on wiry, erect stems, that last exceptionally well on the bush or in bouquets. A healthy grower with many branches and blooms. A favorite with many, 3½ ft. .50
- Garden Love— Carmine rose with gold base. Dwarf, bushy plants a mass of bloom all season. Ideal for garden or cutting, 2 ft. .35
- GOOD LUCK—A very distinct and most attractive pure, rich orange color. One of the showiest in the garden. Rich foliage. .35
- HORIZON—(SC) Soft, amber yellow, tinged and edged with rosy red. Petals are curled in a most pleasing manner and flowers are firmly erect. Upright habit, long stems and a lasting and artistic cut flower, 4 ft. .75
- LITTLE DREAM—(Cac)A lovely bright pink with paler tips and center. Very effective in bouquets and never fails to attract attention. Beautiful little flowers of regular petal formation; long, wiry stems; keeps well, 3 ft. .75

- Little Jewell (Juweeltje)—A beautiful apple blossom pink. Very small, perfect flowers in great profusion. Nothing like it. 4 ft. .30
- LITTLE PEARL—(SC)Beautiful salmon pink flowers with 'spiky' petals. Free flowering, bushy plants with good stems, 3 ft. .50
- LITTLE SNOW QUEEN— (SC) A very free flowering pure white with perfectly formed upright blooms on dandy stems. Unexcelled for cutting, exhibition or garden, 3 ft. .60
- LADY MARY HOPE—Quite distinct in form and color. Deep amber with a picotee edge and reverse of orange, with showy white tips and markings to each floret. These are fluted, reflexed and whorled, giving a distinct and most attractive appearance,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. .50
- MARJORIE EMBERSON— Neatly formed, compact little flowers with pointed petals. Color is a deep salmon pink shade. Long stems and erect flowers of extra good substance—a real gem for cutting, 3 ft. .75
- MARY DRURY—Perfectly formed little decorative of a very odd shade of rich crimson with violet suffusion; free and erect, 3 ft. .60
- Mrs. ISOBEL COUTTS—I think this has the sweetest colorings of any miniature yet seen. Cream color at base, suffusing off to, and heavily tipped with pearly pink. Of perfect form and extra fine stems, 3 ft. .60
- ONAH— Very double, neatly formed flowers of a pure golden buff color. A most profuse bloomer with strong, erect stems. An excellent sort for any purpose, 3ft. .35

  ONAH reminds one of a miniature 'Jane Cowl'
- PHOENIX— Really quite distinct in color—rich old gold with the reverse of each floret crimson. Very vigorous grower, and a free bloomer with extra long, and stiff upright stems that hold flowers erect 4ft. .50
  PHOENIX might be called a miniature 'Amun Ra'

I know of no flowering plant that will respond more to a little special coaxing than the Dahlia. They just naturally make friends because of their unlimited variety of color combinations, sizes, forms, and individual characteristics.

- POPPY— As near perfect in form, stem and habit of growth as any dahlia yet grown. A distinct shade of reddish coral. New English variety that recently won the Gold Medal at the Growing Trials for the best new variety of that year, 3 ft. \$1.00
- RHODA—A most perfectly and artistically formed little Decorative. A beautiful glowing orange rose or shrimp pink shade. Extra free flowering; long, wiry stems. 3 ft. .30
- RED SEA— A very showy scarlet red color. Of very perfect form with pointed petals. Ideal free flowering habit, with dandy stems. Most lasting as a cut flower, 3½ ft. .35
- **SNOWDRIFT**—A pure white of true Cactus form with quite narrow, slightly incurved, spiky petals. Small, of very perfect form and very double. Healthy grower and a free and constant bloomer; long stems, 4 ft. .35
- **SONNY**—(SC) Lemon yellow, shaded with a soft pink. Flowers are very freely produced on long, stout stems,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  ft. .75
- **SPARKLET**—Small, very double flower with pointed petals. The habit and stems are ideal. Prolific bloomer and a most lasting cut flower. The color is an odd, rosy cerise crimson, shading to rose tips.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. .50
- TEDDY BEAR—Velvety rich red with reverse of petals shaded gold. Many flowers show tiny yellow petaloids at the base of petals. Small blooms, stiff erect stems, free-flowering and a lasting cut flower. Distinct, 2½ft. .75
- TIPSY—Pure, brilliant rich red. Full globular shaped flowers held very erect on extra long rigid stems. A strong, robust grower. .35
- **ZIP**—The color is a bright orange flame self-color. The bush is low growing. vigorous and branching with many blooms all season. High centered, informal type with the petals slightly whorled and reflexed. Makes a real good plant for beds, borders, etc.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  .50

#### MIXED DAHLIA TUBERS

I never have found it necessary to catalog unnamed or mixed dahlia tubers. To me, this seems to cheapen them unjustly, and we love the 'king of autumn flowers' too much for that.

When you have your dahlias named (correctly) you will learn to know them 'personally' and enjoy them more.

# Miniature Peony-flowered Dahlias

ARTISTIC SEMI-DOUBLE FLOWERS
Long, Wire-Like Stems. Lasting Cut Flowers

- ATHLETE—New foreign variety that is hard to equal. Color is Indian red with orange shadings. Habit of growth is perfect and no variety keeps longer cut, 4ft. .60
- **APOLDRO** Very effective little semi-double sort. Rich crimson, with large gold center and erect on long stems.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. .25
- AURORA—Rich crimson, shaded with cherry. Extra early and very free flowering, making it a real gem for bedding, 3 ft. .35
- BLUE COAT—Bluish lilac with crimson at the base of the petals. Neatly formed little flowers in profusion on long stems, 3ft. .30
- Blushing Bride—Beautiful little flowers of a deep rose pink on a lighter base. Erect on long, wiry stems, Extra free, 3 ft. .50
- Crimson Glow— A most effective rich, deep crimson, of great substance; a dandy small curly centered flower about the size of a carnation and very erect on top of long, wirelike stems. A great favorite with Florists and one you will always enjoy, 3 feet. .30
- DAWN—Warm, bronzy buff with a rich scarlet base to each petal, forming a large disc, which is very effective for quite a distance. Blooms freely; stems are ideal. 3 ½ ft. ...50
- DAZZLE—Dazzling scarlet that does not fade. Small flowers; strong, extra long stems .35
- FOXHOUND—Distinct and attractive. Cream color with an orange-scarlet band around each petal; every bloom comes true. Wonderful stems and a good keeper. 4ft. .50
- LUCKY STAR—Small, neat flowers with petals slightly incurved, rolled and pointed, Erect on long, wiry stems. Soft cardinal red. None will last longer when cut. 3ft. .35
- with a dark center or base. Sturdy grower and free flowering. Fine stems, 3½ft. .35
- MEMORY—A beautiful color. Clear, waxy yellow at base, suffusing to lavender at tips. Long erect stems; lasting substance, 3ft. .60

- Norah Bell—Orange red, with yellow base and tinted with blue flame. A strong, bushy grower that blooms early and exceedingly free and constant all season. Dandy stems and a color that always pleases, 3 feet. .35
- NYDIA—Rich, deep glowing crimson. Strong, erect stems. Handsome foliage, 2 ft. .75
- Our Annie—Very pleasing shrimp pink, shading to gold at base. A small flower of fine substance on stout, long stems. Early and very free of bloom. Hard to beat, 3 ft. .30
- PIGMY—The lowest growing dahlia to date. Only 12 to 15 inches high with blooms 3 to 4 in. across and plenty of them. Flowers are nearly double and of a very pleasing salmon coral color. Ideal for bedding. \$1.00
- PINK PEARL—A small, neat flower of very pleasing soft, pure rose pink. This is one of the most useful and popular on account of its free flowering, stiff wiry stems and ideal habit of growth. For massing or grouping in large beds it is ideal. 3ft. .30
  PINK PEARL is quite full-centered as a rule.
- Picture—Gold, shaded orange flame, suffusing to rosy pink at tips; base of florets chestnut red. Very novel form and color. 3 feet. .35
- RADIUM—An ideal variety as to height, habit, freedom of bloom and stems. Brilliant deep scarlet, shaded with golden yellow at base. Attracts everyone because of its most intensely dazzling color. 3 feet, .50
- STARSTONE—Beautiful little flower of lovely, soft rosy pink. Of distinct form and has extra fine stems. Makes a most artistic and also lasting bouquet, 3 feet. .60
- TINY—This is really one of the best of the Miniature dahlias. The flowers are small, with 3 to 4 rows of petals of artistic form. Is wonderfully free flowering and rigidly erect on wire-like stems. Will last a long time when cut, making an ideal indoor bouquet. For artistic baskets or table decorations it is unsurpassed. Every flower will last equally well—no wilted ones to ruin the neat appearance of any floral arrangement. Color is rich amber, tinted bronze at tips and yellow at base of petals; a soft color that harmonizes with practically every other color. "The dahlia without a fault". 3 feet. ...50

- TREASURE—Color is a wine crimson, shading to red, with a darker base—showy. Foliage is a dark bronzy green. 3 feet. .30
- TOKEN— A rich orange flame color, shaded with bronze. Sturdy, well-branched growth and stoutest of stems,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  ft. ....75
- YELLOW LAD—A color much wanted in this type. Artistic petal formation and erect on wiry stems. Lasting when cut, 3 ft. .75

# Dwarf Bedding Dahlias

Perfectly formed singles, that grow only 16 in. in height. Especially valuable for borders, beds, rockeries or in front of shrubbery, etc.

Need no staking or disbudding. Start blooming very early and will continue a mass of color till frost, if all old flowers and seed pods are removed weekly. These erect flowers, with wire-like stems, make ideal material for small bouquets. When cutting select only the very youngest of blooms, (those not quite fully open preferred) which will last at least 4 days without wilting,

To have a more bushy plant with more branches and many more flowers, I advise topping or pinching out the center of the young sprout when a few inches high or when first bud shows. Then, when the side branches show buds cut back again, leaving 2 or 3 joints on each. Do not plant in soil that is too rich or too shady if you want them to retain their greatest value—extra dwarf growtn.

- Abinger GEM—The color is a bright orange; always wanted. Real dwarf and free. .30
- coltness GEM—The original of this type and hard to improve upon. Color is a bright geranium scarlet. Tubers, 5 for \$1; each, .25
- DINKY—Pure, bright yellow; a dandy. .25
- JOY WHEEL —A new variety of yellow and salmon-rose blended; narrow petals. .50
- Maroon GEM—Blackish maroon. Good .25
- LADY AILEEN—Clear, rich rose pink with a deep crimson ring or halo around disc. .30
- MRS. W. CLARK—Glowing cerise red, tinted bronze and rose. Bright and distinct. .50
- PAISLEY GEM—Duplex little blooms of rich orange scarlet. Unsurpassed for effectiveness in borders, beds or group plantings. .50
- Pickaninny GEM— Very deep cerise-maroon color. The golden (pollen) center and long stem makes this most attractive. .25
- Princess Marie Jose—Grows about 2 feet tall and the flowers are about 4 in. across on grand stems. Pleasing lavender pink. .50

# Giant Flowering Dahlias

A real choice selection of some of the more modern varieties at reasonable prices.



Following Abbreviations are used in designating the different types of Dahlias that are listed below.

(FD) Formal Decoratives; (ID) Informal Decoratives; (Cac) True narrow-petalled Cactus; (SC) Semi-cactus.

AMELIA EARHART—(SC) One of the largest and most outstanding of the newer dahlias. Attractive apricot buff in color and is held erect on strong stems. \$1.00

ANDREAS HOFER—(Cac) A beautiful pink color, shading to a creamy center. European variety with dandy stems to cut, 3ft. 35c

**AUTUMN SUNSET**—(FD) Large blooms of a really beautiful blending of salmon pink and orange with the best of stems. Oregon creation you will rave over 4 ft. .60

BAGDAD—(ID) Brilliant shade of purest red. An unusual and striking flower of large size held aloft on good, long stems. 4 ft. .50

- BALLEGO'S SURPRISE—(SC) A pure white from Holland of unusual beauty. It will surprise you with its purity, size and artistic formation. Blooms freely and erect on long, clean stems and keeps well when cut, 5 ft. \$1.50 BALLEGO'S SURPRISE has received Highest Award in Holland, France, Belgium and England. It's O. K.
- BAUER'S IDEAL—(ID) Deep, glowing blood red without shading, and it does not fade or burn in the sun. Large, deep flowers on extra long, strong stems. An early and constant bloomer. Austrian variety, 5 ft. \$1.50
- **BETTY MARILYN**—(SC) One of the best of the lavender dahlias. Good for cutting and can be grown to real large size, 4 ft. .50
- BICOLOR—(FD) Bright orange-scarlet, heavily tipped with white. The plants flower with surprising freedom. Stems are very strong, hard and upright. Very showy, 4 ft. \$1.00
- catherine clark—(ID) A most unusual and attractive dahlia of highest quality. Very brilliant pure scarlet, distinctly tipped purest white. Plants are dwarf, flowers large and perfectly erect well above the foliage. A grand new variety for bedding, 2½ ft. \$1.00
- CHAMPOEG—(FD) Huge flowers of a waxy yellow, blending to a bright salmon pink on outer half of the broad, flat petals. Strong stems. Very striking; a prizewinner. .50
- CHAS. G. REED—(FD) Most unusual variety. Deep, rich violet red with silver tintings and lighter reverse. Of extremely large size, but very erect on stoutest of stems, 3½ ft. .50
- CHAS. SNEIDER—ID— A rich carmine red of perfect form and stem. An early, free and constant bloomer. This is, by far, one of the best keepers when cut. 3½ ft. .35
- CORNELIA B. PINCHOT—(ID) One of the largest to date and one of the richest colors. A rich, glowing burgundy red. These huge, showy blooms are held erect above the rich green foliage on stout stems, 3½ ft. \$1.50

- cora butterworth—(FD) Pure primrose yellow of monster size with long, wavy petals; extra good stems. Very fine, 4 ft. .50
- **Dr. JOHN CARMAN**—(FD) Rich violet-rose color; one of largest dahlias and a low growing bush. Fine stout stems. .50
- **ELITE GLORY**—(FD) Of largest size, yet perfectly erect, on long cane-like stems. Color is a radiant, rich red shade, 3 ft. .35
- ELEGANCE—(SC) Glistening coral with center of flower and tips a yellowish buff. Large blooms with a most artistic and beautiful petal formation. Full deep flowers; ideal habit and stems. Free bloomer, 3½ ft. .75
- FRANK MILLER—(FD) Clear gold of large size. Upright on stoutest of stems. .35
- FRANK SERPA—(ID) Very large, well-formed blooms, held high on stiff stems. Delicate orchid-rose, stained deeper at edges and tips of petals. Highly recommended, 3 ft. \$1.00
- FRIEDA FRANK—(SC) -- A large flower of soft scarlet with an orange reverse. Early, free flowering and showy, 3ft. .35
- GOLDEN EMBLEM—(White's)—Clear golden yellow; artistic in form with long, wavy, recurving petals. Erect blooms on long, wiry stems. Keeps well as a cut flower. An early and constant bloomer, 5 ft. .50
- GOLDEN SONNE—(SC) Large flowers of an amber yellow, tinted salmon on outer petals. Grand stems hold the flowers perfectly erect and no variety keeps better for cutting or is more effective in basket work. A free bloomer but shy root producer 3 ft. .50
- GOLDEN STANDARD— (Cac) Golden tan, flushed with amber and bronze, Large, perfect centered blooms held facing on strong, slender stems. An American creation that has won many ribbons, 5 ft. \$1.00
- GOUVENEUR BAELS—(FD) A rich golden amber, suffusing to a bright salmon scarlet on outer half of petals, Real large flowers are held rigidly erect at all times on long, cane-like stems. Excellent keeper when cut and very free of bloom, 5 feet. \$1.00
- GRACE CURLING—(ID) Lavender, tinted pink and shading to white at the base. Large flowers with cleft petals; fine stems, 4 ft. .35

- GRAND SOLEIL D'OR—(SC) Immense deep blooms of golden amber buff, tinted bronze, Extra free-flowering; ideal stems, 4 ft. ....75
- HERA—FD— A pure orchid lilac, held high above foliage on erect stems. One of the earliest, and freest bloomers, 4 ft. .35
- HUNT'S VELVET WONDER—(ID) Blooms are of immense size, but carried rigidly erect on long, sturdy stems, well above the foliage, A rich, violet burgundy 4 ft. \$1.25
- INKYO—(SC) Produces in abundance velvety maroon red, incurved blooms well above the foliage on extra long, erect stems. Is large and well formed; a big favorite, 4 ft. .35
- IRENE ANDERSON—(SC)—A large purplecerise, heavily tipped pure white. A most attractive garden dahlia. Blooms freely from early to late. Stems are real good, 4 ft. .40
- INSPIRATION—(SC) A brilliant lemon yellow of large size, held on strong stems. Distinct and attractive in formation; petals are straight and roll forward (not backward, like other cactus) to a sharp point at tips. New Hollander that will 'inspire' you, 4 ft. \$1.00
- JANE COWL—A massive, deep flower of immense size. Glistening bronzy buff and old gold. Stems of unusual strength hold flowers perfectly erect above foliage, 4 ft .35
- JERSEY'S BEAUTY—FD—Probably best all round rich, true pink dahlia yet intoduced. Wonderful color and lasting cut flower Very vigorous, early and free flowering. .30
- JERSEYS DAINTY—(Cac) A very fine white with faint tints of pink. Slightly incurved petals and the blooms are held facing you on long, stiff stems, 4 ft. .50
- LEIDEN'S ELEGANCE— (Cac) A deep vermilion red shade of handsome formation. A profuse bloomer with long, wiry, erect stems for cutting—and they keep, too. 4ft. \$1.00
- LUGDUNUM BATAVORUM— (FD) A rich ruby red, heavily tipped with pure white. Is very attractive in the garden and is the best keeping bi-color when cut, Profuse, 4 ft. .60
- MAD. FLOR. BRAEM—(Cac) Beautiful salmon rose, shading to gold in the center. Is much like 'Andreas Hofer' in shape and habit of growth, but is larger, 3 feet. .75

- MARSHALL'S BEAUTY—(FD) Clear shade of very deep, rich rose pink. The same size, shape, growth and stem etc., as the Jersey's Beauty, but a different color, 5 ft. .50
- MARSHALL'S PINK —FD— A clear peach pink. Perfect form with petals recurving to the stems, which are long and strong. You will like this one. 4ft. .35
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- NOPAL—(SC) A large, rich nopal red. Keeps well and the stems are ideal, 4 ft. .50
- OMAR KHAYYAM—(FD) Large blooms of Chinese red shading to deep orange at the tips. Very fine; good stems, 4 ft. .35
- OREGON RUSSET—(White's)—Giant peony dahlia of informal shape. Rich golden orange, shaded sunset red. Early bloomer with good stems. Keeps well when cut, 4½ft. .35

- orange BEAUTY—FD—Rich blending of salmon-rose and orange. Big, high-centered flowers rigidly held at just the right angle on perfect stems. Ideal habit of growth and a most lasting cut-flower dahlia, 5ft. .50 This is the same as 'Jersey Beauty' except in color.
- **ORIENTAL BEAUTY**—(SC) Immense bloom of most perfect form on dandy stems. Clear brilliant rose pink; a great prizewinner. .60
- PALO ALTO—(SC) Bright pinkish salmon, shaded to gold center, Very large with good depth and substance Strong grower and it has excellent stems, 5 ft. \$1.00
- POSIE MORAVIE— (ID) Ivory white suffused with orchid. Very beautiful and attractive foriegn variety of large size. It blooms very freely on erect stems, 3½ ft. .60
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- RIPPLES—ID—A really large flower of rose pink held on very long stems well out of the foliage. Healthy grower, 4ft. .50
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- SPOTLIGHT—(ID) A huge sulphur yellow, shading lighter at tips. Free bloomer; strong, very erect stems. Awarded the Sweepstakes prize, Portland Dahlia Show, '37, 4 ft. \$1.00
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<b>Beebe</b> —Combination of pink and mauve or white ground. Strong grower and free, T.	.25
<b>BILLIE</b> —A dark, rich crimson shade; of n form and small size; extra fine.	.25
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Cora May-Salmon pink, cream and yell	ow
perfect flowers on good long stems.	.25
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<b>DEE</b> DEE—Small pale lilac; good stems	.25
Gertrude—Clear crimson red; neat form	.25
Girlie—Pretty rosy mauve color. Neat, sm flowers on long stems; constant and free.	
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